COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY MINE SAFETY REVIEW COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION NO. **06-MSRC-008**

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
OFFICE OF MINE SAFETY AND LICENSING

COMPLAINANT

FINAL ORDER FOR KEITH COLLINS

KEITH COLLINS, RONALD BARTLEY &JAMES HAGER

RESPONDENTS

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This matter having come before the Commission on the Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement between the Complainant, Office of Mine Safety and Licensing (OMSL) and Respondent Keith Collins, and the members of the Commission having reviewed the Settlement Agreement filed on May 16, 2006 in the matter herein, and the Commissioners being sufficiently advised,

IT IS HEREBY **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement is **GRANTED**;
- 2. The formal hearing and pre-hearing conference are **CANCELLED**;
- 3. The Settlement Agreement signed by the parties and filed with the Commission is hereby incorporated by reference as if reproduced herein in full as a material part of this FINAL ORDER. A copy is attached hereto;

- 4. This Final Order only resolves the matters referenced herein, and any new enforcement action or subsequent penalties imposed during any probationary period are in addition to and not in lieu of those that may be sought by OMSL for the acts or omissions during that probationary period. This Final Order in no way prohibits OMSL from investigating or filing legal action based upon other activities or omissions by the Respondent not arising from the factual basis of the original violation and resolved herein.
- 5. This Final Order shall be considered to constitute a "first offense" as that term is defined in 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(5). Future allegations of separate offenses by Respondent, resulting in an adjudication of guilt by the Commission, shall be deemed "subsequent offenses" as defined by 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(13);
- 6. This Final Order represents a final disposition of all issues between the Complainant and the Respondent, in these matters. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Final Order may result in further action by the Commission; and
- 7. Appellate rights: Pursuant to KRS 351.194(8) and KRS 13B.140(1), an appeal of an order of the Commission must be filed in the Franklin Circuit Court within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Final Order. The petition shall include the names and addresses of all parties of record in this proceeding and shall include a statement of the grounds upon which review is requested. A copy

of this Final Order shall accompany the petition. Copies of the petition must be served upon the Commission and all parties of record in this proceeding.

Entered this the 8 TH day of June 2006.

Denise Moore Davidson, Chair

MINE SAFETY REVIEW COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER was served by certified mail, return receipt requested, and by regular mail, postage pre-paid to the following this 9 TH day of June 2006:

KEITH D. COLLINS 83 GILLESPIE BRANCH ROAD SHELBIANA KY 41562

And by regular mail to:

RONALD BARTLEY P.O. BOX 691 PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653

HON BILLY SHELTON
151 N. EAGLE CREEK DRIVE, STE 310
LEXINGTON KY 40509
Counsel for: James Hager

And by messenger mail to:

HON. STEPHEN C. BOYD GENERAL COUNSEL OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES NATURAL RESOURCES LEGAL DIVISION #2 HUDSON HOLLOW FRANKFORT KY 40601 502/564-2356 FAX 502/564 - 9212

And the original shall be kept on file:

Mine Safety Review Commission 132 Brighton Park Blvd. Frankfort Ky 40601

Bryon Alan Thompson

Hearing Officer & General Counsel Mine Safety Review Commission

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KENTUCKY OFFICE OF MINE SAFETY & LICENSING COMPLAINANT

V. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN OMSL & KEITH COLLINS

KEITH COLLINS, RONALD BARTLEY AND JAMES HAGER RESPONDENTS

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Come the Complainant, the Kentucky Office of Mine Safety & Licensing ("OMSL"), and Respondent Keith Collins ("Collins"), and hereby state that they have agreed to a settlement of the above-styled disciplinary proceeding, according to the following terms:

In consideration of the final resolution of this action against him, and the cancellation of the hearing (as it pertains to him) that is currently scheduled for July 13, 2006, Keith Collins hereby admits that he had falsified a pre-shift exam record book on December 18, 2003, at Coal Services, LLC, No. 2 mine, in violation of KRS 352.210, as alleged in OMSL's Complaint. This Settlement concerns only Keith Collins. This Settlement does not resolve the cases against Ronald Bartley or James Hager. Therefore, Keith Collins hereby agrees to the following:

- 1. The probation of his underground miner's certificate, Underground Mine Foreman's Certificate (A-25-06), shotfire conventional, Certificate No. MN-03-007 and gas detection Certificate No. PE-198-87 for a period of eighteen (18) months, effective upon the Order approving this Settlement by the Mine Safety Review Commission.
- 2. During this 18-month probationary period, Keith Collins shall comply with all state and federal mine safety laws and regulations. The willful violation by Keith

Collins of any said laws or regulations may result in OMSL filing a motion with the Mine Safety Review Commission to revoke his underground miner's certificate for the remainder of the probationary period.

3. Keith Collins further agrees that this Settlement Agreement and any final order issued herein by the Mine Safety Review Commission will be considered by the Commission to constitute a "first offense", as that term is defined at 805 KAR 8:010, Section 1(13).

Keith Collins understands and agrees that he has had the opportunity to retain an attorney to represent him in this matter, but that he has chosen to represent himself. Keith Collins further states that he has carefully read this Settlement Agreement (or that the Settlement has been read to him), that he has carefully considered the Agreement prior to signing it, and that he understands and agrees to its terms and provisions.

OMSL and Keith Collins acknowledge and agree that there are no further promises, inducements, representations, or agreements in connection with this Settlement Agreement other than those expressly set forth in writing herein.

83 Gillespie Branch Road Shelbiana, Kentucky 41562

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JOHNNY GREENE, Acting Executive Director

KX Office of Mine Safety & Licensing

Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

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